

HOUSE RESOLUTION 125
By Roach

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Mrs. Susan R.
Cabbage on the celebration of her 100th
birthday.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pay tribute to those citizens who are celebrating special occasions in their estimable lives; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Cabbage will celebrate her 100th birthday on February 8, 2000, a milestone that will be commemorated as yet another precious souvenir of life's rich pageant; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Cabbage was born in 1900 at her home in the Mitchell Springs community of rural East Tennessee; she is the second of four children to Sam and Tressie M. Roach; and

WHEREAS, her enthusiasm for learning began at the early age of five, Mrs. Cabbage walked one and a half miles on a country road to reach the one-room school that she and her sister attended; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Cabbage successfully pursued her educational goals; she attended East Tennessee Teachers College in Johnson City, and shared her gift of teaching for five years before she married; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Cabbage became involved in the political process by voting when women were given the right in 1920; she has always taken advantage of her political freedom and has not missed voting since; and

WHEREAS, in 1923, Mrs. Cabbage was joined in marriage with Willis H. Cabbage; the couple moved to the Buffalo community where Mr. Cabbage served as a Grainger County Judge; she has lived in the same location for 70 years; and

WHEREAS, active in church since a young child, she has been a devout member of the Buffalo Baptist Church where she taught Sunday school for 37 years; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Cabbage served with probity in the Buffalo community as a Notary public from 1952 until her husband's death in 1974; she selflessly performed her services free of charge; and

WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Cabbage's blessed union produced three children, Roy, Helen, and John, all of whom have preceded her in death; she is the grandmother of 9, great-grandmother of 20, and great-great-grandmother of 7; and

WHEREAS, as Mrs. Cabbage approaches her 11th decade, she continues to read; her philosophy being that, "If you don't use your mind, you lose it. So learn something everyday," and

WHEREAS, a highly respected citizen in Grainger County; she is loved by all who know her, and has continuously given of herself; she has always enjoyed gardening and shares the bounty of her labors with friends and family; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Cabbage loves to travel and has been in every state in the nation, except Alaska; she often traveled in tour groups and with family until she was in her late 80s; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Cabbage has witnessed numerous historical events in her lifetime; she endured the Stock Market Crash of 1929, World War I and World War II, the Korean War, and has a grandson who was in Desert Storm; and

WHEREAS, we wish to grasp this golden opportunity to specially recognize Mrs. Cabbage, one of Tennessee's most outstanding citizens on this very special occasion; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, That we honor and congratulate Mrs. Susan Cabbage on the celebration of her 100th birthday and extend to her our best wishes for much continued success and happiness.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.